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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re A	Application of: YANG))
Serial No. 09/929,397) Group Art Unit:) 3661
Title:	METHOD FOR DETERMINING THE INTERSECTION OF POLYGONS USED TO REPRESENT GEOGRAPHIC FEATURES) Examiner: THU V NGUYEN)
Filed:	August 14, 2001)

PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.313(c) (WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE)

Mail Stop Petitions Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The subject application was allowed on August 3, 2004 and the Issue Fee Transmittal was sent on October 27, 2004.

Applicant hereby petitions that the subject application be withdrawn from issue pursuant to 37 CFR 1.313(c). In support thereof and according to 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2), Applicant provides as a reason for the withdrawal the consideration of a request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114. The request for continued examination is being submitted in order to have an information disclosure statement considered in the present application. The information disclosure statement includes two references that were cited in a foreign counterpart application and provided to the undersigned on November 15, 2004, subsequent to payment of the issue fee.

In order to address the provision in MPEP 1308 I.B. that states that an applicant should identify some specific and significant defect in the application in addition to the

specific reasons identified in to 37 CFR 1.312(c)(1)-(3), Applicant asserts that unless the references cited by the foreign patent office are considered by the U.S. Examiner and made of record in the present application, the present application may possibly be considered noncompliant.

A Request for Continued Examination accompanies this petition.

Included is an authorization for payment of the petition fee required by 37 CFR 1.17(h) and the fee for the Request for Continued Examination.

Respectfully submitted,

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